MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION TRANSPORTATION/CENTRALIZED SERVICES DIVISION AGENDA NO. 00-4-10

Date Published: April 6, 2000

For Work Week Commencing: April 10, 2000 Business Meeting: April 10, 2000, 10:00 a.m.

General Introduction This agenda is the Commission's Transportation and Centralized Services Division agenda for the work week designated. In the later part of each week (generally, Thursday by 2:00 p.m.) prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, deposited in the mail directed to all persons who have properly requested notice by mail, emailed to all persons who have properly requested notice by email, and posted to the Public Service Commission's worldwide web site located at http://www.psc.state.mt.us.

<u>Place of Meetings</u> All meetings are held at the Commission offices, 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, Montana, unless otherwise noted.

<u>Inquiries</u> General inquiries concerning this division agenda and subscribing to notice by mail may be made to Wayne Budt at (406) 444-6195. Mr. Budt may refer inquiries to another person within the agency.

<u>Accommodation for Persons with Disabilities</u> Anyone needing an accommodation for physical, hearing, or sight impairment in order to attend a scheduled meeting should contact the Commission secretary at (406) 444-6199 sufficiently prior to the meeting to allow accommodations to be made.

<u>Work Sessions</u> All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

<u>L-00.2.2-RUL / Landfill Closure Rule</u> – A rulemaking hearing on the landfill closure rule is scheduled for 10:00 a.m., Thursday, April 13, 2000.

<u>Action Items</u> All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. <u>T-00.30.OTSC</u> (Wayne)

An Order to Show Cause was issued to Victor I. Pizzola dba Valley Taxi, Hamilton, Montana on March 16, 2000 for failure to complete compliance requirements for authority granted in Docket T-98.32.PCN under Final Order No. 6469 and Order on Reconsideration 6469a. The Order to Show Cause was sent by certified mail and received by the carrier on March 17, 2000. The required compliance has not be submitted. This item was deferred from the agenda of April 3, 2000 to allow the motor carrier additional time, no compliance has been received. Staff recommends cancellation.

Agenda #00-4-10 Page 2

Class B – Non-emergency medical and psychiatric patients between all points and places in Ravalli and Missoula counties, Montana for medical appointments. LIMITATION: (1) All transportation must originate or terminate in Ravalli County. (2) Operations within Missoula County are limited to those from one medical appointment or provider to another medical appointment or provider as part of a movement originating or terminating in Ravalli County.

ACTION:

2. T-00.26.ST (Wayne)

On February 25, 2000 an application for sale and transfer of PSC No. 321 from Bernard P. Harrington dba City Taxi, Butte, Montana to Daniel P. McCaul dba Dial-A-Ride, Butte, Montana was received. The application was noticed to the public on March 7, 2000. On April 5, 2000 a written request to withdraw the application and close the docket was received from the Transferee, Daniel P. McCaul dba Dial-A-Ride.

<u>Class B</u> - Persons, in the City of Butte, Montana and to or from points not exceeding fifty (50) miles of Butte, Montana. Limitations: Regular or scheduled service as a jitney or bus is prohibited on or over any route.

SUB A <u>Class C</u> - Air freight, between the Butte Airport and points and places within the City of Butte, Montana and an area of ten (10) miles.

ACTION:

3. TN2009 (Wayne)

City of Cut Bank, Cut Bank, Montana as lessee of PSC No. 9412, requests a second thirty (30) day extension of time in which to meet compliance under the lease with Bayside Disposal, Inc. dba Disposal Service of Montana, Lewistown, Montana. Compliance was due on April 12, 2000 and the lessee requests until May 11, 2000.

<u>Class D</u> - Refuse, meaning all putrescible and non-putrescible solid wastes, garbage, rubbish, street cleanings, dead animals, yard clippings, solid market wastes, solid industrial wastes, liquid wastes, and any other abandoned waste, between all points and places within the city of Cut Bank, Montana and an eleven (11) mile radius thereof.

Agenda #00-4-10 Page 3

Carrier is authorized to transport authorized commodities to certified landfills from territory authorized.

ACTION:

4. T-00.25.PCN TA

(Wayne)

The Town of Terry requests a ninety (90) day extension to the temporary operating granted to them and issued under PSC No. 9416. The temporary authority expires on April 13, 2000.

Class D – Garbage between all points and places within five (5) air miles on both sides of Interstate 94, beginning at the end of the frontage road in Custer County, approximately twenty-six (26) miles west of Terry, Prairie County, Montana, continuing through Prairie County and ending at the eastern boundary of Prairie County, Montana. Carrier is allowed to transport authorized commodities to certified landfills from territory authorized. LIMITATION: Service north of the Yellowstone River is prohibited until the interstate highway crosses the Yellowstone River just north of Fallon, Prairie County, Montana.

ACTION:

5. <u>TN2027</u> (Wayne)

Ken Yachechak dba Meridian Mayflower, Kalispell, Montana requests permission to lease PSC No. 9367 to Meridian Moving and Storage, Inc., Trego, Montana for a six month period, April 10, 2000 to October 10, 2000.

<u>Class C</u> - Property in the City of Kalispell, Montana, and within a radius of ten (10) miles thereof.

Limitations: Transportation of ashes, trash, waste, refuse, rubbish and garbage is prohibited.

ACTION:

6. TN2028 (Wayne)

Agenda #00-4-10 Page 4

Montana Tariff Bureau, Agent, on behalf of its members Two Shews, Inc. dba Billings Yellow Cab, Billings, Montana and Mark Foos dba City Cab, Billings, Montana requests a fuel surcharge to be added to Passenger Tariff No. 3, pursuant to 38.3.3601 ARM. The surcharge is requested in the amount of \$.25 per fare effective April 11, 2000 and expiring on July 10, 2000. This fuel surcharge will impact passenger operations in the Billings, Montana area. Justification supports an increase of \$.20 per fare. However, the request for \$.25 is based on the following: "1) Cab drivers are most vulnerable while making change for a fare. Tripling the number of coins a driver would have to carry and manage while making change will lengthen the time and complexity of this process and make him/her vulnerable to theft or violence. 2) Fares have always been traditionally in quarter increments, the public expects this and, based on prior experience, will complain heartily about making "nickel & dime" change. 3) Cash audits involving dollar increments of less than quarters will increase driver and accounting labor costs dramatically. 4) All of the above will have an negative impact on our service to the public."

ACTION: